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CASE CO/2-22651/A/PCT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF  
HANSJÖRG GRÜTZMACHER ET AL  
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP 03/50079  
FILED: MARCH 26, 2003  
FOR: PROCESS FOR CONVERTING ALCOHOLS  
TO CARBONYL COMPOUNDS  
U.S. APPLICATION NO: not yet assigned  
35 USC 371 DATE:

Group Art Unit:  
Examiner:

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the present Preliminary Amendment to place the instant claims in better condition for examination on their merits.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.